

Leadership Journeys

Isabel Silkett, Assistant Headmaster
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After spending several years at a classical charter school in Austin, Isabel Silkett had the opportunity to relocate to Fort Worth with her family. In exploring potential job opportunities, she was initially drawn to Great Hearts by her desire to serve families through a free, high-quality classical education. "I am overjoyed to have found an environment that aligns with my personal educational philosophy," she shared. In joining Great Hearts Prairie View as Dean, she was able gain valuable insights into the Great Hearts culture and curriculum before stepping into her new role as as Assistant Headmaster.



Ms. Silkett extends her gratitude to the founding leadership at Prairie View and shared, "My experience as both a student and teacher in classical environments has prepared me for success as a mentor and instructional coach. As I have grown into leadership roles, I credit the leaders who invested in me, challenged me, and believed in me. I am also grateful for the collaboration and camaraderie of the Lower and Upper School leadership teams at Great Hearts Prairie View, who continually inspire me to support staff and families more effectively each day."

Though Ms. Silkett forecasts some important work in cultivating a strong school culture at this young campus as they welcome more students and staff next year, she is also animated by her new role, sharing, "The most rewarding part of this role has been the chance to cultivate strong relationships with both staff and scholars, guiding and supporting their growth and success." She is wisely seeking to balance her time effectively between engaging with teachers and scholars while also fulfilling the administrative responsibilities. "As a teacher, I was motivated and encouraged by leaders who prioritized meaningful interactions. Now, as a leader, I strive to be visible and to build intentional relationships with my staff and scholars."